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EVANGELISCHE MISSION IM NYASSA-LANDE. VON JULIUS RICHTER.
Zweite vermehrte Auflage. Berlin: Buchhandlung der Berliner Evangelischen Missionsgesellschaft, 1898. Pp. 225.
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THE first edition of Pastor Richter's book, as we are informed in the preface, was published in 1892, and has met with such a rapid sale that a second edition has become necessary. This second edition has important additions: the later political history of the English and German possessions in central Africa, the later history of the Scotch and English missions in the Nyassa country, and the beginnings of the German missions in the Konde country at the north end of lake Nyassa. The book is, by reason of its subject-matter, a fascinating one, and is made much more so by the instructive manner in which it is written. We have, first of all, a description of the country and its inhabitants, based on Johnston's *British Central Africa* and Merensky's *Deutsche Arbeit am Nyassa*. Then follows a short history of Dr. Livingstone's discoveries and of his subsequent endeavors to have the Christian people of England and Scotland plant missions in central Africa. A description of the first unsuccessful attempt of the Universities' mission to plant stations in the territory south of lake Nyassa, a short history of the Livingstone, the Blantyre, and the later Universities' missions follow in this order. The last part of the book is devoted to the new missions of the Berlin missionary society and of the Moravians in the German possessions. The book is a real contribution to missionary literature. The author discusses with good judgment the problems that confront these missions in central Africa. He knows, too, how to draw valuable conclusions from statistics; *e. g.*, that in the oldest of these central African missions but 13 per cent. of the missionaries have stayed longer than five years, and that 29 per cent. of the missionaries have died on the field, showing with what sacrifices these new missions are being planted in the heart of Africa. On the slave trade the book has much to say that is interesting.

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TWENTY-SIX YEARS OF MISSIONARY WORK IN CHINA. By MRS.
GRACE STOTT, of the China Inland Mission. New York and
Chicago: American Tract Society, 1897. Pp. 366. \$1.75.

THIS volume is a plain, unvarnished tale, true to the missionary's environment. The profound piety of Mr. and Mrs. Stott is patent.